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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) A remote controlled computer system, comprising:
a computer comprising a wireless receiver configured for radio frequency communication;

a hand-held controller comprising a wireless transmitter and an attachment device for attaching the hand-held controller to a key ring, purse handle, or other commonly carried personal item;

wherein said hand-held controller is configured to send a signal to said wireless receiver upon user actuation, and wherein said computer is configured to perform a power on sequence and to launch a user-defined application program in response to receiving said signal, wherein said wireless receiver and wireless transmitter have a communication range of approximately 200 to 500 feet, wherein said hand-held controller comprises at least three ~~two~~ assigned buttons for actuating said signal, and wherein one of said assigned buttons initiates the power on sequence and the launching of a first user-defined application program, and wherein another one of said assigned buttons initiates the power on sequence and the launching of a second user-defined application, and wherein another one of said assigned buttons initiates the power on sequence without launching of an application program.

2. (Currently Amended) The computer system of Claim 1, wherein the ~~wireless receiver and the wireless transmitter~~ is ~~are~~ configured for radio frequency communication.

3. Cancelled.

4. Cancelled.

5. (Currently Amended) A method of remotely controlling a computer comprising transmitting a signal from a hand-held controller to said computer, and in response thereto, placing said computer in an on state and launching a user specified application program, and wherein said hand-held controller comprises at least three ~~two~~ assigned buttons for actuating said signal, and wherein one of said assigned buttons initiates the power on sequence and the launching of a first user-defined application program, and wherein another one of said assigned buttons initiates the power on sequence and the launching of a second user-defined application, and wherein another one of said assigned buttons initiates the power on sequence without launching of an application program.

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6. (Original) The method of Claim 5 comprising the step of analyzing said signal to select an application for launch from a plurality of application programs.
7. (Original) The method of Claim 5, wherein said transmitting occurs over a distance of approximately 200 to 500 feet.
8. (Original) A computer system, comprising:
a hand-held controller comprising a radio frequency transmitter, wherein said controller is configured to transmit at least first, ~~and second~~, and third different signals in response to at least first and second different user actuation operations, the hand-held controller further comprising an attachment device for attaching the hand-held controller to a portable object;
a computer comprising a radio frequency receiver; wherein said computer is configured to (1) receive said first, ~~second~~, and third ~~second~~ different signals, (2) analyze said first, ~~and second~~, and third different signals, (3) perform a power up sequence in response to either said first signal, said second signal, or said ~~second~~ third signal, (4) launch a first application program in response to said first signal, and (5) launch a second application program in response to said second signal.
9. (Original) The computer system of Claim 8, wherein said first and second different user actuation operations comprise depressing first and second buttons on said hand-held controller.
10. Cancelled.
11. (Currently Amended) A remote control device for a personal computer comprising a hand-held housing containing wireless signal transmission circuitry for communicating with wireless signal receiving circuitry in said personal computer, wherein said housing comprises an attachment device for connecting said remote control device to a key ring, purse handle, or other commonly carried personal item, and wherein said hand-held controller comprises at least ~~two~~ three assigned buttons for actuating said signal and wherein one of said assigned buttons initiates the power on sequence and the launching of a first user-defined application program and wherein another one of said assigned buttons initiates the power on sequence and the launching of a second user-defined application, and wherein another one of said assigned buttons initiates the power on sequence without launching of an application program.

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12. (Original) The remote control device of Claim 11, additionally comprising a plurality of user actuated buttons for selecting from a plurality of remotely controlled personal computer functions.

13. (Original) The remote control device of Claim 11, wherein said wireless transmission circuitry is configured to communicate with said wireless receiving circuitry over a range of approximately 200 to 500 feet.

14. (Currently Amended) A remote control device for a personal computer comprising:

a hand-held housing containing wireless signal transmission circuitry for communicating with wireless signal receiving circuitry in said personal computer; and

at least ~~one~~ three user actuated controls ~~control~~ operative to initiate wireless signal transmission from said remote control device of a command to said personal computer ~~to perform a power up sequence and launch a selected application program, and wherein one of said actuated controls initiates the power on sequence and the launching of a first user-defined application program, and wherein another one of said actuated controls initiates the power on sequence and the launching of a second user-defined application, and wherein another one of said actuated controls initiates the power on sequence without launching of an application program.~~

15. Cancelled.

16. (Original) The remote control device of Claim 14, wherein said wireless transmission circuitry is configured to communicate with said wireless receiving circuitry over a range of approximately 200 to 500 feet.

17. (Currently Amended) A computer system comprising:

a computer comprising a power supply and a storage device storing application programs; and

hand-held remote control means for activating said power supply and launching a selected one of said application programs from a distance of approximately 200 to 500 feet, and wherein said hand-held controller comprises at least ~~two~~ three assigned buttons for initiating a power up of the computer and wherein one of said assigned buttons initiates the power on sequence and the launching of a first user-defined application program, ~~and wherein another one of said assigned buttons initiates the power on sequence and the launching of a second user-defined application,~~

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and wherein another one of said assigned buttons initiates the power on sequence without launching of an application program.

18. Cancelled.

19. Cancelled.